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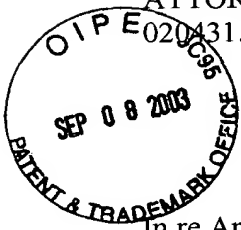
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Response to Examiner's Response to Rule 312 Communication

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's consideration of Applicants' Rule 312 Amendment. In response to the Examiner's Response to Rule 312 Communication mailed August 29, 2003, Applicants respectfully provide the following remarks. Applicants do not necessarily agree with or acquiesce to the Examiner's conclusion that the proposed amendments to Claim 1 would change the scope of the claim. However, Applicants respectfully note that since by definition all subsets of event messages are sets of event messages, Claim 1 without amendment ("sets") is at least as broad as, if not broader than, Claim 1 would have been as amended ("subsets").

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Applicants believe no fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,
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